GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
LOK SABHA

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EXPORT FROM MADRAS EXPORT PROCESSING ZONE
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have any special schemes to promote and enhance exports of various products from the Madras Export Processing Zone (MEPZ);

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government have allocated any funds to improve the MEPZ, Chennai;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the details of funds allocated disbursed and spent in the last three years for developing the infrastructure facilities at MEPZ Chennai?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH)

(a) & (b) : In order to promote and enhance exports, the entitlements offered to units in Export Processing Zones include exemption from Custom / Excise duty on import / procurement of capital goods, raw materials etc., exemption from Income-Tax under Section 10A of the Income-Tax Act, reimbursement of Central Sales Tax, upgraded infrastructure and simplified procedures.

(c) to (e) : For upgradation of infrastructure facilities such as construction of Standard Design Factory buildings in Madras Export Processing Zone, the funds allocated and utilised during the last three years are as under:-

(Rs. in lakhs)

1998-1999	365.13
1999-2000	400.00
2000-2001	400.00